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Minutes of the Rights of Way, Highways and Lighting Committee meeting held on Monday 12th June 2017 at 10 Riverside at 7.00pm

1. Apologies:

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr Clouting

Present:

Cllr P Collins, Cllr S Garrett (Chair) Cllr E Jones and Cllr J Jones

In Attendance:

Mrs Eileen A Coe (Town Clerk/RFO)

2. Declarations of Interest:

None.

3. Minutes of previous meeting:

Cllr Garrett proposed the minutes of the previous meeting held on Monday 8th May (circulated in draft form prior to the meeting) were approved as an accurate record, which was seconded by Cllr Jones, and with one abstention due to absence all were in favour.

The Chairman signed the minutes.

4. Public Comment:

None.

5. Rights of Way:

The Summer Rights of Way Walk held on 3rd June at 10am was well attended with fine weather. Refreshments were enjoyed afterwards.

6. Highways:

➤ **Pedestrian crossing in Station Road – Section 106 agreement**

It was noted that Suffolk County Council had advised that they were looking to confirm the budgets available to them with a view to moving this on to their design team. The total Section 106 funding available is £38k and so hopefully there would be no need for the Town Council to contribute. However, only half the funding was available to SCC immediately so the design could commence, but the remainder would not be available until December 2019. Derek Oldham (East Area Highways Manager) was investigating if there would be funding available to bridge them until the release of the funding in Dec 2019 so that they could proceed with both design and construction. Cllr Jones noted that the S106 agreement does not state anything about 50% funding, but does state that funds would be released on 50% occupation. The Town Clerk was requested to contact SCC with this query.

➤ **Cycle rack in Well Close Square – options, costs and permissions**

The Town Clerk reported costs for purchase and delivery. Locations and installation would be looked at later in the month with Derek Oldham (SCC) before re-consulting with 221B Bakers and Paddy & Scott's with the final positions.

➤ **Traffic Regulation Order 2017:**

It was noted that David Chenery (SCC) had advised that there had been no further progress due to the departure of the highway officer dealing with this matter. He suggested that any forthcoming TRO such as residents parking be linked to share costs. One technical solution would be to repeat the previous TRO but with additional double yellow lines on the east side of Fore Street to prevent parking on that side which concerned the SCC Rights of Way Committee. However, this would reduce available parking in this area and no doubt raise objections, but be defensible on road safety grounds.

It was agreed to raise this matter at the meeting to be held with Derek Oldham and to explore likely legal costs.

➤ **Speed Indicator Device (S.I.D).**

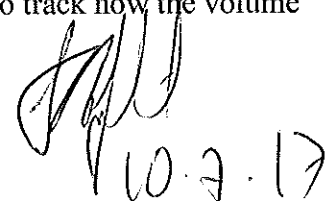
Data – Cllr Garrett to provide information for the next meeting.

The Town Clerk reported that the new pole had been installed in College Road and the cost for additional brackets for the SID at £50 was agreed.

A resident had requested that the data results such as top speeds and average speeds recorded by location be published, and also wondered if any results had been passed to the Police for action.

It was agreed to publish the data in the Monthly Newsletter in future. It was noted that the SID was primarily a deterrent, but any meaningful data would be passed to the Police for further action.

A further use of SID for the Town Council is to measure the volume of traffic in order to track how the volume changes over time.



7. Parking:

No business.

8. Lighting:

Castle Brooks pathway approaching no.54 – ownership and responsibilities.

The Town Clerk reported that she was still waiting to hear from Watsons Property Management following their site visit, and despite several email reminders they had not yet responded. The Town Clerk was requested to pursue this matter with the cooperation of the property owner.

9. Correspondence:

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Email requesting that the Town Council raises traffic awareness and lack of pathways at the end of Fairfield Road and over the bridge into Station Road.

It was agreed for the Town Clerk to respond advising that a new footpath was being proposed from Fairfield Road to Station Road beside Fram Vets, which should help alleviate the problems for pedestrians.

It was noted that the highway over the bridge was too narrow for a footpath, but the need for clearer signage on the approach to the bridge would be raised at the meeting with Derek Oldham.

10. 2017/18 Action Plan:

Updates for the Action Plan had been circulated and were considered and agreed. Cllr Garrett and Cllr Jones would prepare a brief to meet Policy FRAM16.

- Detailed and fully costed CIL funding nominations for IPC:

None.

11. Highway problem reports and responses from SCC :

Overgrowth of hedging in Fairfield Road – reported to SCC

Footpath in New Road blocked by developers – reported to Rights of Way Officer at SCC

12. Matters of report or items for next agenda:

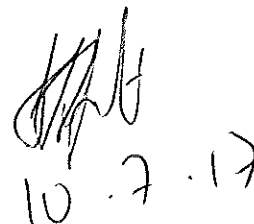
The Town Clerk reported that Suffolk Highways/Kier had advised that the all the new road markings from the approved TRO would be installed during the week beginning 3rd July.

Cllr Jones reported on the traffic lights in Brook Lane – residents notified

13. Next meeting:

Monday 10th July 2017 at 7.00pm

Meeting closed at 8.20pm



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